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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 1 2004, the following amendments and remarks are made for consideration by the Examiner.

**Amendments to the Specifications** are listed on page 2 of this paper

**Remarks/Arguments** of the claims and specifications begin on page 2.

**Double patenting** description of the rejection is on page 9

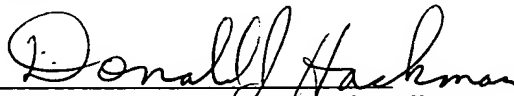
**Terminal Disclaimer To Obviate A Double Patenting Rejection** is on page 10 & 11.

Duplicate copies of pages 10 & 11 are attached to forms PTO/SB/96 and PTO/SB/26.

**Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a)**: begins on page 12.

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